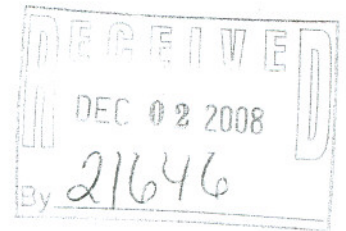




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December 1, 2008

Mr. John Weingart, Chairman
New Jersey Highlands Council
100 North Road (Rt. 513)
Chester, NJ 07930

Dear Mr. Weingart:

Re: **Resolutions 2008-420 and 2008-421**

Enclosed please find certified copies of the following resolutions:

✓ **2008-420** a resolution of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey providing notice of intent to petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance.

2008-421 a resolution of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey seeking an extension of the deadline to petition for substantive certification pursuant to executive order 114 and the memorandum of understanding between the Highlands Council and the Council on Affordable Housing.

The Township Council of the Township of West Milford adopted these resolutions on November 26, 2008.

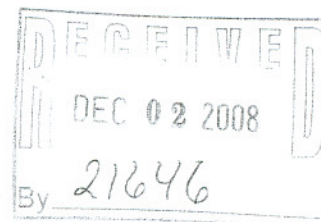
Very truly yours,

Diane Curcio
Office of the Township Clerk

Enclosures

Township of West Milford
Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2008-420 ~



**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF
NEW JERSEY PROVIDING NOTICE OF INTENT TO PETITION THE HIGHLANDS COUNCIL FOR
PLAN CONFORMANCE**

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act), N.J.S.A. 13:20-1 et seq., finds and declares that protection of the New Jersey Highlands is an issue of State level importance because of its vital link to the future of the State's drinking water supplies and other key natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act creates a coordinated land use planning system requiring the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) to prepare and adopt a Regional Master Plan for the Highlands Region and requiring that within nine to 15 months after September 8, 2008, each county and municipality located wholly or partially in the Preservation Area must submit a Petition for Plan Conformance to the Highlands Council for that portion of its jurisdiction lying within the Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act specifies that conformance with the Regional Master Plan (Plan Conformance) requires revisions to municipal and county master plans and development regulations as applicable to the development and use of land to align them with the goals, requirements, and provisions of the Regional Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines require that for jurisdictions with any lands in the Preservation Area, a Notice of Intent to conform to the Regional Master Plan must be submitted to the Highlands Council as soon as practicable, but not later than February 1, 2009 and that for any lands in the Planning Area, a Notice of Intent may be submitted at any time; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford lies within the Highlands Region as defined by the Highlands Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of West Milford believes that it is in the best interest of the Township to conform to the Regional Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey that it hereby provides the Highlands Council with this Notice of Intent to petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance for all lands lying within the Preservation Area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Notice of Intent provides notice to the Highlands Council that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford has set *December 8, 2009* as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: November 26, 2008

Adopted this 26th day of November 2008
and certified as a true copy of an original.

Antoinette Battaglia, Township Clerk